MR. D. C. JOSEPH (*Agastisvaram*) : The first part of the answer says : "In the case of the officers of the British Government, whose services have been obtained on foreign service conditions, the salary has to be fixed in British Rupees".

MR. K. N. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Financial Secretary to Government*) : There are European officers in the service whose services have not been obtained on loan from the British Service. The pay has been fixed in British Rupees in their case also.

MR. D. C. JOSEPH (*Agastisvaram*) : But I ask what are the special merits which make certain Indian Officers draw their pay in British Rupees?

MR. K. N. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Financial Secretary to Government*) : I shall be glad if the member will give some specific instance and ask for a reply.

MR. D. C. JOSEPH (*Agastisvaram*) : May I know why Mr. Ranga-swami Aiyangar and Mr. Chandrasekharan draw their pay in British Rupees? I ask the member what are the special merits which entitle these officers to draw their pay in British Rupees.

MR. K. N. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Financial Secretary to Government*) : Sir, the member is asking about individual cases and I am not prepared with the reply. I said that in the case of certain officers their pay has been definitely fixed in British Rupees.

MR. D. C. JOSEPH (*Agastisvaram*) : I know that. I want to know why certain Indian officers draw their pay in British Rupees?

MR. K. N. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Financial Secretary to Government*) : I shall try to give an explanation as far as I recollect. Formerly the pay of the professors in the college was fixed in British Rupees when the posts were held by European officers. Government then decided that there should be no distinction between the pay of European officers and Indian officers holding the same posts and they fixed the pay in British Rupees in all cases. That order still continues.

MR. D. C. JOSEPH (*Agastisvaram*) : May I know whether—

DEPUTY PRESIDENT : I think Mr. Ramasubba Aiyar has answered the question. As a special case some officers in the Education Depart-ment were given pay in British Rupees.

MR. D. C. JOSEPH (*Agastisvaram*) : May I know why Mr. O. S. Ramaswami Aiyar is paid in British Rupees?

MR. K. N. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Financial Secretary to Government*) : I do not know if I can answer the question.

DEPUTY PRESIDENT : You need not if you are not so inclined.

MR. K. N. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Financial Secretary to Government*) : It is a matter pertaining to the Devaswom Department.

Mileage drawn by Heads of Departments.

457. MR. D. C. JOSEPH (*Agastisvaram*) : Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table a statement containing the following particulars :—

(*a*) the mileage drawn by each departmental head in 1103 ; and

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(*b*) the stations they inspected and the halts they made in each station?

MR. K. N. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Financial Secretary to Government*): (*a*) and (*b*) The Government regret that the statement called for cannot be compiled without disproportionate labour.

Teaching of Malayalam Shorthand in the Vernacular School, Tiruvalla.

458. **MR. K. N. KESAVAN NAMPUTIRIPAD** (*Jenmies*): Will the Government be pleased to state why Malayalam Shorthand alone has been left untaught in the Vernacular School at Tiruvalla while all other technical subjects are taught in Malayalam?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): Malayalam Shorthand is not being taught in the Vernacular High School, Tiruvalla, since there is no provision for the teaching of the subject under the curricula now in force.

MR. K. N. KESAVAN NAMPUTIRIPAD (*Jenmies*): Will the Government consider the advisability of including Malayalam Shorthand also in the curricula?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): The Director of Public Instruction has reported that the existing curricula is already over crowded and that therefore it is not possible to do so.

Status of Teachers of the Oriental languages in the Arts College.

459. **MR. K. PADMANABHA PANIKKAR** (*Ambalapuzha*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether teachers of Sanskrit and other Oriental languages employed in His Highness the Maha Raja's College of Arts, Trivandrum, are given equal treatment with teachers of English and other subjects such as Philosophy and History, in the matter of grade and pay; and

(*b*) if the answer to part (*a*) is in the negative, whether they will consider the question of giving at least the same rank and pay to these teachers in the interest of Oriental languages?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): (*a*) No.

(*b*) The Government do not consider it necessary to do so at present.

Reports of the University and the Law College Commission.

460. **MR. K. P. NILAKANTA PILLAI** (*Chirayinkil*): Will the Government be pleased to state whether they have received the reports of the University as well as the Law College Commission recently appointed, and if so whether they will be pleased to lay on the table a copy each of the reports?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): The answer to the first part of the question is in the negative. In view of this answer, the second part does not arise.

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